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FM AMEMBASSY BONN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 9363

INFO AMEMBASSY KUWAIT IMMEDIATE

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AMEMBASSY ATHENS

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRN, GW, KU

SUBJECT: CIVAIR-LUFTHANSA HIJACKING

1. INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM THE FRG TASK FORCE  
WITHIN THE LAST HOUR IS THAT FRG AMBASSADOR IS ON THE  
SCENE AT KUWAIT AS WELL AS TOP LEVEL LUFTHANSA  
REPRESENTATIVES. GERMAN REPS AND KUWAITI OFFICIALS ARE  
PRESENTLY NEGOTIATING WITH HIJACKERS WHO ARE  
REPORTEDLY CONCENTRATING ON GETTING AWAY SAFELY FROM  
AIRCRAFT. THE HIJACKERS HAVE MADE NO OTHER OR NEW  
DEMANDS. A SECOND LUFTHANSA AIRCRAFT IS EITHER ALREADY  
AT KUWAIT OR ABOUT TO ARRIVE.

2. WE QUERIED LUFTHANSA HEADQUARTERS IN COLOGNE THIS  
EVENING TO WHAT EXTENT THEY WERE IN DIRECT CONTACT  
WITH THE KUWAIT AUTHORITIES AND PERHAPS WITH THE  
HIJACKERS. LUFTHANSA REPRESENTATIVE SAID THAT COMPANY  
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HEADQUARTERS WAS ONLY INFORMED IN A GENERAL WAY AS TO

DEVELOPMENTS IN KUWAIT BECAUSE ANY DECISIONS INVOLVING THE COMPANY WOULD BE MADE BY HIGH RANKING COMPANY OFFICIALS WHO WERE NOW THERE ON THE SCENE. THEY WERE IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH THE GERMAN AMBASSADOR.

3. FOLLOWING UP AMBASSADOR'S CONVERSATION THIS MORNING, EMBASSY HAS AGAIN URGED FRG OFFICIALS ON TASK FORCE THAT FRG TAKE HARD LINE AGAINST HIJACKERS.  
HILLENBRAND

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